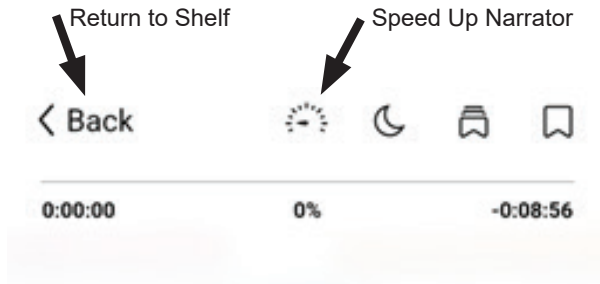


9. Listening to an Audiobook



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1. Overview

You can borrow free ebooks and audiobooks from the Monroe County Library System.

Libby is the new app from OverDrive for reading books and listening to audiobooks. It is compatible with iOS 14+, Android 5.0+ or in your web browser at libbyapp.com.

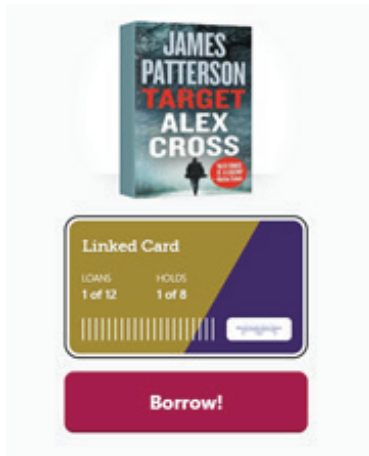
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If you are reading on an Amazon Kindle please also take the eBooks for Amazon Kindle brochure for additional information.

2. Getting Started

After downloading the Libby app, you will be asked if you have a library card. Tap "yes." Then on the next screen choose "I'll search for a library." Next type your zip code into the search box and select your library from the list. From the next prompt choose, "Enter Library Account Details" and then type your library card number in the box that says "card number." Click "Sign In." Lastly select whether you prefer to read with your Kindle. If you select, "Yes, I read with Kindle" you will only see Kindle titles.

In the menu that looks like Libby at the bottom of the screen you can add other library systems and set up Libby.



3. Searching the OverDrive Catalog

Click the magnifying glass at the bottom of the screen. Type an author or title to search. For an advanced search (i.e. format or subject) click + more. To limit search results to items that are currently available for check out, select "Available Now." If you want to switch which library you are searching click on the library name listed under the search box and change to another library name.

4. Borrowing an Ebook or Audiobook

Tap the cover of the book you'd like to check out. You will see a description of the book and a "Borrow" button. Tap "Borrow" to check out. If a title is unavailable, "Borrow" will instead read "Place Hold." Next to that you will see a calendar with the wait time for the title.

Libby defaults to 21 day check outs. To change the borrowing period, tap "Borrow" then at the top of the screen you can change to either 7 or 14 days.

Go to your "Shelf" (looks like a stack of books). Select the actions button (mobile devices only) and then "Change Download Rules." Make sure "Download Only on Wi-Fi" is selected so you are not using mobile data on your smartphone.

After borrowing, select "Open Book." Then select "Libby, This App." Remember if you opted for download on Wi-Fi only, your title won't download immediately if not connected. Once connected to Wi-Fi there should be a checkmark next to the book showing it has been downloaded. If there is no checkmark there will be a cloud symbol.

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5. Picking Up a Hold

If you have put a book on hold you will receive an email or push notification when the title is available. Go to "Shelf" and tap "Holds" then tap "Borrow" next to the book. The book will move to your Loans and be available to open.

6. Reading an Ebook

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The menu can be accessed by tapping on the center of the screen. You can return to your Shelf, advance to different chapters of the book and view bookmarks. Under the "A" you can change text size, lighting, and design. Under "Custom" you can change the font, spacing, and justification.

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